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FM AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9340

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AMEMBASSY LOME

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

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LONDON FOR HAVERKAMP

PARIS FOR MELONE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OTRA, PDIP, PFOR, VS UV

SUBJECT: DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TRAN VAN DON'S VISIT TO UPPER
VOLTA

1. I MET WITH DON EVENING MARCH 24 AFTER HIS CALL ON FOREIGN
MINISTER ZERBO AND PRESIDENT LAMIZANA. PRESIDENT LAMIZANA
WAS EXCEPTIONALLY WARM AND RECEPTIVE. DON SAYS THAT HE SHOWED
AN UNUSUAL GRASP OF THE SITUATION IN VIET NAM PROBABLY DUE
TO HIS MILITARY EXPERIENCE IN INDO-CHINA. LAMIZANA TOLD DON
THAT UPPER VOLTA HAS NO INTENTION OF RECOGNIZING THE PRG.

2. IN HIS CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT, DON REVEALED
SOUTH VIET NAM'S INTENTION TO MAINTAIN AN EMBASSY IN OUAGADOUGOU.
THE EMBASSY WOULD BE HEADED BY A CHARGE WHO WOULD ALSO HAVE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR NIAMEY AND POSSIBLY TOGO. (DON SAID THAT
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THEIR AMBASSADOR IN ABIDJAN WAS NOT STRONG AND UNABLE TO

TRAVEL AS MUCH AS NECESSARY. THE GOVN REALSED THE NEED FOR
INCREASING CONTACT AMONG THESE COUNTRIES THAT HAVE BEEN
NEGLECTED BY THEM IN THE PAST.)
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